he past five years. It has assets of dy \$10 million.

lost of the grants have been made to 1 civic, cultural, educational and ritable organizations but several nalism projects have also been beneries. They included:

cholarships at Ball State University; bellinger Learning Laboratory at Ina University school of journalism; notojournalism scholarships at the tersity of Missouri;

NPA Foundation activities; merican Press Institute.

THE JOHN FREDERICK STEINMAN FOUNDATION THE JAMES HALE STEINMAN FOUNDATION

e two Steinman family foundations, h derive income from the newspaper proadcasting enterprises in Lancas-2a., are interested primarily in sup-of local institutions. A portion of funds goes to two specific areas: 000 a year for five scholarships for ers and children of employes; and 000 a year for postgraduate work in niatry, psychology and social case py.

THE PIEDMONT LISHING CO. FOUNDATION

ce becoming a subsidiary of Media ral, Piedmont Publishing Co. of ton-Salem, N.C. has allowed the lation to be relatively dormant with nominal funds. The main contribusts \$3,000 annually to the University orth Carolina school of journalism. The Winston-Salem State Unity has received \$1,000 to provide or students who are interested in alism careers but without an exit commitment.

BINGHAM ENTERPRISES UNDATION OF KENTUCKY

eral companies owned by the Bingfamily—the Courier-Journal and wille Times Company, Standard are Corporation, and WHAS, supply about \$300,000 annually to undation. Grants in four out of the five years have exceeded the revand this has cut the reserve fund than \$250,000. The grants for five amounted to \$1.8 million.

principal beneficiaries are organis in Kentucky and part of southern in the largest gift (\$90,000) being to nited Way. Among aid to journ have been:

,000 to the American Press Insti-

uilding fund; 600 to the Inter American Press As-

ion scholarship fund;

100 to the SNPA Foundation; 100 for a scholarship at the Univerf Kentucky;

000 to the Edward R. Murrow rat Tufts University;

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\$19,500 for the Jo Series at the University of Neuroleky.

NATIONAL PRESS FOUNDATION

Profiting from a benefit world premiere of the film "Twilight's Last Gleaming" on February 6 and with its tax exempt status now granted, the two-year-old National Press Foundation is beginning an active 1977.

"Twilight's Last Gleaming"—a psychological drama involving nuclear blackmail—centers on the public's right to know and the premiere at Washington's Kennedy Center will benefit the Foundation by \$60,000, if Foundation president Robert Ames Alden's hopes are borne out.

"In the past," Alden told E&P, "we have been working with funds totaling no more than \$10,000.

National Press Foundation, Inc. was established in 1975 as an organization to foster professionalism in the practice of journalism.

One of the major parts of the program is the awarding of scholarships for journalists who wish to engage in advanced study, do research, or undertake full time creative writing.

Mail to Teltronics, Ltd., Des Plaines,

Ill., a mail-order firm advertising inex-

pensive digital watches, is being held by

the U.S. Postal Service under a tempor-

ary restraining order issued by the U.S.

District Court of the Northern District of

Teltronics, Ltd. had advertised

L.E.D. digital watches for \$16.95 in

Sunday magazine supplement, Parade,

and college newspapers, promising that

orders received by December 15 would

be delivered before Christmas. A two-

watch order was encouraged with a

bonus of a free pocket calculator (E&P,

Instead, persons who ordered received

nothing. Losses generated by this

scheme are estimated by the Illinois

State Attorney General's Office at be-

tween \$1.8 and \$2 million, although \$1.2

million of it is in various bank accounts

and was reported to have been seized by

authorities. Information also indicates

that the owner of Teltronics has fled the

country, and transferred \$800,000 to

vice investigation, the Consumer Protec-

tion Office of the Postal Law Department

As a result of a Postal Inspection Ser-

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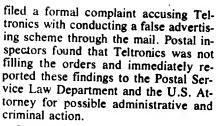
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National Press Club. This includes the prestigious Fourth Estate Award which has been presented to Walter Cronkite, James Reston, Richard Strout and John S. Knight, and the Consumer Reporting awards.

The Foundation embraces seven funds altogether: awards, scholarships, a professional fund, publications fund, archives fund, library fund, and—as a back-up fund for all these—a general fund. In the past gifts to a designated fund have been encouraged and, in November, the National Press Club sponsored a book and author night to benefit the library fund.

Early in 1976, the Foundation published a report on the White House and the press that had been compiled by the Professional Relations Committee of the National Press Club.

Offices of the National Press Foundation are at Suite 1380 of the National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20045. Associated with President Ames in directing the foundation is Executive Director William M. Blair of the Washington Bureau of the New York Times.



Over 1,000 complaints directed to various government and private agencies have been received. Those wishing to complain in the future should write to the Illinois Attorney General, Consumer Fraud Division, 134 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill., 60602, and mark on the outside of the envelope: Teltronics. This action is important to consumers because the Illinois Attorney General has filed a civil suit to assist victims of the Teltronics scheme in getting some of their money back.

Attendance record

broke all attendance records when they sponsored the U.S. Armed Forces Bicentennial Band and Chorus. Lt. Col. Thurston, commander of the group, said it was the largest single group the band had performed for in the 373 performances it has given in 262 cities. The band has been on tour for two years, traveling throughout all of the 50 states, Mexico and Canada.



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